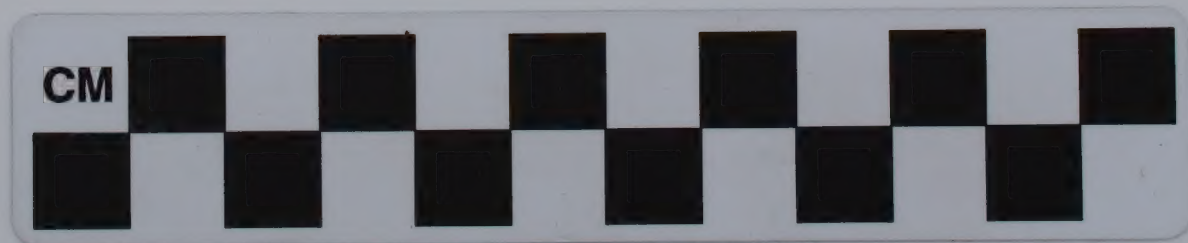


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CM

So glad you got home with no serious bad
luck, after your poor start. Next time we
will have our clock ahead of time. Poor
little Helen. she was looking back + throwing
kisses + waving to us and turned around sud-
denly + bumped the car. I hope it ~~was~~ ^{was} bump
you felt better. You must have been hungry
when you reached home. Sorry I did not make
you some sandwiches to carry with you. But I
am no good for anything it seems. It never
occurred to me to give you a dress of mine
to put on + you wore your good one all the
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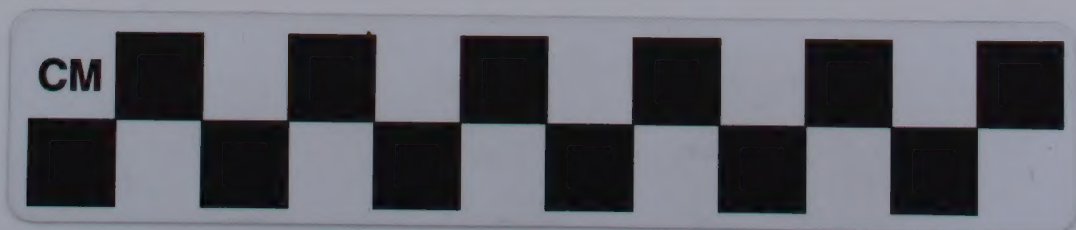
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things that day. Next day made my blue

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of things during work. I have felt so different
and have had so much more comfort the
last two weeks - or since the "settling
process" began. And have had more sleep
than in months. I went to bed soon after
eight last night and got up at 6:15 but
just felt like sleeping on. Seems as if I
cannot get caught up. My work spells
were not quite so bad last week + I
was like a different girl - so good all day -
so everything made it easier for me.

No there was nothing you could do for
me in town - I guess I've plenty of old nap-
kins + if everything is o.k. I'll let some-
one order some later. I would like to have
a pair of overalls for Margaret now. She found
out one day that she could get down the
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goes up + down + all the way round house

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